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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

The more choice available the better for the consumer. The large telecom companies can't offer everything for all the people, that is why there is a need to keep smaller, local providers around. It's like a gas station in a rural area - would Shell, Exxon, BP want to have a station in a very small area? No. What would be left then? Allowing a space for communication companies like Sonic to exist allows them to fill the gap and open the bottlenecks. Communicating and having access to providers on different levels allows for the right balance of competition.

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